



CITY OF MORGAN HILL

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PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES January 17, 2006

MORGAN HILL CIVIC CENTER

CITY HALL
Council Chambers
17555 Peak Ave.
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Chair

Jeff Bernardini

Vice-Chair

Marilyn Librers

Commission Member

Mark Frederick

Commission Member

Jim Green

Commission Member

Laura Hagiperos

Commission Member

Katharine Hardt-Mason

Commission Member

Craig C. van Keulen

LIAISON

Sports Complex, SAC

Swim Teams

Youth Advisory, Endowment

IRC, Parks, Sports Complex

Swim Teams

CPRS

BTAC

IRC, Sports Complex

7:00 p.m.
CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE
All present

DECLARATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA
Per Government Code 54954.2

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

NOW IS THE TIME FOR COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THIS AGENDA. The Morgan Hill Parks and Recreation Commission welcomes comments from all individuals on any agenda item being considered by the Commission. Please complete a Speaker Card and present it to the Secretary/Recreation Manager. This will assist the Commission Members in hearing your comments at the appropriate time. In the interest of brevity and timeliness and to ensure the participation of all those desiring an opportunity to speak, comments presented to the Commission are limited to **three minutes**. We appreciate your cooperation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment

REPORTS

A. Deputy Director Struve gave an update on the Community Park Master Plan. Phase I was funded by the City Council. At this time the bid is over the amount that was allocated. We were informed that they are looking at possibly only building two tennis courts instead of the four. Deputy Director Struve will bring back an alternative layout to next meeting.

B. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

Commissioner Bernardini reported that all of the plans are on hold for the Sports Complex. Also the teams are all getting along at the Aquatic Center.

Commissioner Hardt-Mason reported that she attended the Bicycle and Trails meeting. She reported that the Trails committee wants to make sure that their issues are heard at the PRC. They may even want to go to the City Council to ask to be a full on Commission.

Commissioner Librers reported that the YAC is working on a project with the City of Gilroy. It is a partnership between the youth group and the seniors in our community.

Commissioner Green asked about handicap services at our pools. Commissioner Frederick said that the IRC will address that when it is opened.

Commissioner Hagiperos notified the PRC of the upcoming CPRS conference in Ontario this March.

BUSINESS

1. YAC ON INDOOR BAND CONCERT TO “SAVE THE SKATE PARK”

YAC Committee Members Isela Banuelos and Shaila Patel gave a report on the concert to “Save the Skate Park” The event was well attended at the Community Center. They had six bands and around 300 people.

The YAC is working on several other fundraisers at this time.

2. RESULTS OF SURVEY ON IRC/YMCA

Recommended Actions: Information item Interim Manager Rod Cooper

Interim Manager Rod Cooper went over the survey. The report showed that the public has a lot of interest in having the YMCA run the IRC. He also stated under this model the pool would be run by the Aquatics Manager for City of Morgan Hill.

Commissioners van Kuelen, Librers and Hagiperos are still concerned about the YMCA taking over at the IRC.

They had questions about the facility in Fremont that the YMCA walked away from. Commissioner van Kuelen felt that question #36 was the most important question in the survey. Commissioner Green recused himself on this item. He runs his own basketball league in the city.

Interim Manager Rod Cooper stated that his assignment upon taking this job was to see if he could come up with a model of the YMCA and the City of Morgan Hill working together at the IRC. The next step is to present this information to the City Council; they will then take a vote and decide the issue. Commissioner Hagiperos feels that it would be important for all of the PRC to inform the City Council of their feelings. The PRC was advised that the Council meets next week on this item so time is of the essence.

3. DISCUSS PARKS AND SPECIAL EVENT USER FEES

Recommended Action: PRC needs to provide staff with a recommendation to take to City Council regarding the appropriate level of fees. Deputy Director Struve opened this discussion and stated that this year Public Works has been asked by Council to increase revenue. Over the last 3 years Public Works was asked to cut the budget. In order to raise revenue they feel there is a need to raise fees at the parks and the sport fields. Deputy Director Struve asked the PRC to begin discussion about raising fees. He will then take this information to City Council for approval.

Discussion went around the dais. Commissioner Bernardini felt that we should raise the fees to about four dollar per day. This would eliminate leagues taking up all the fields and encourage leagues to only reserve the days that they are really going to use. He also felt it might be a good time to have the lights on the field switched over to coin operation.

Commissioner Hagiperos feels that we need to be aggressive in our request.

Commissioner Frederick stated that with an aggressive raise in fees comes the expectation of how well the fields will be kept. At this time the leagues are doing much of the field maintenance

Municipal Service Assistant Dieter spoke on the current fees and scheduling of the fields.

Chair Bernardini asked that this issue be tabled and brought back to the next regular meeting. At that time representatives from the local leagues can attend the meeting.

4. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15, 2005

Recommended Action: Approve minutes as presented.

MOTION TO APPROVE MADE BY COMMISSIONER HAGIPEROS/ VAN KUELEN
MOTION PASSED (7-0)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REQUESTS FOR FUTURE ITEMS

January 2006/Sports Fields fees and Badminton courts at IRC

ADJOURNMENT

Next Regular Parks and Recreation Commission meeting on February 21, 2006.

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